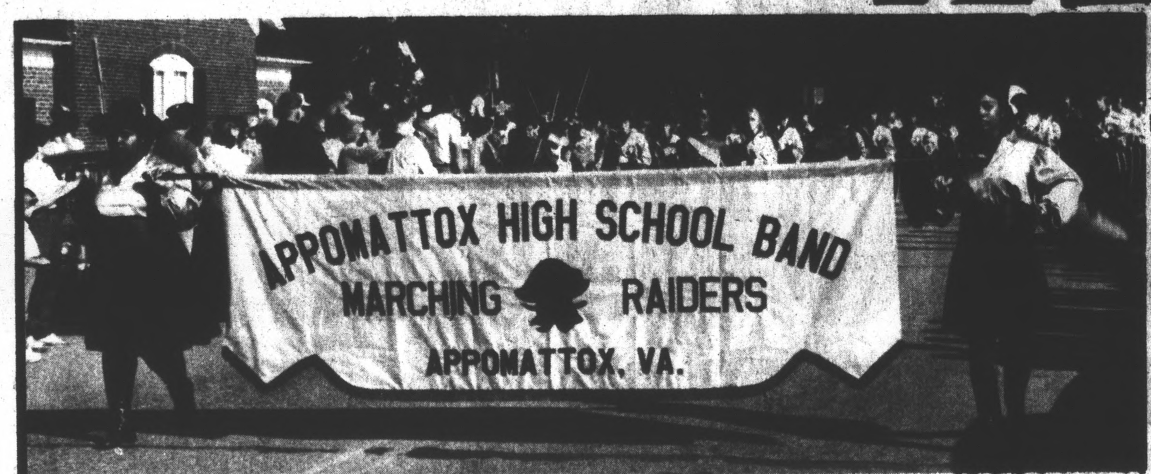
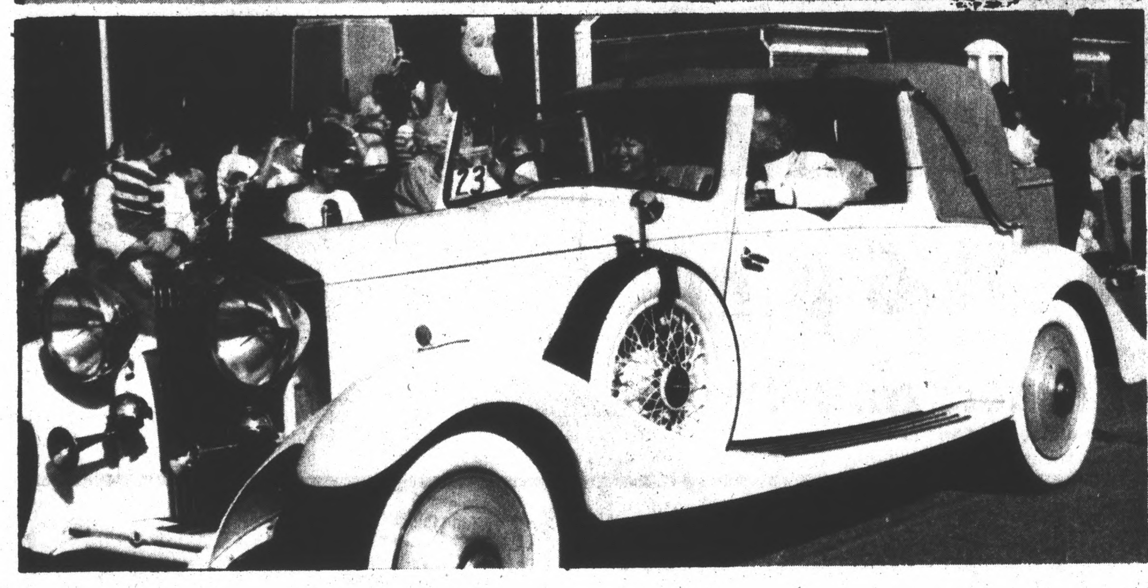
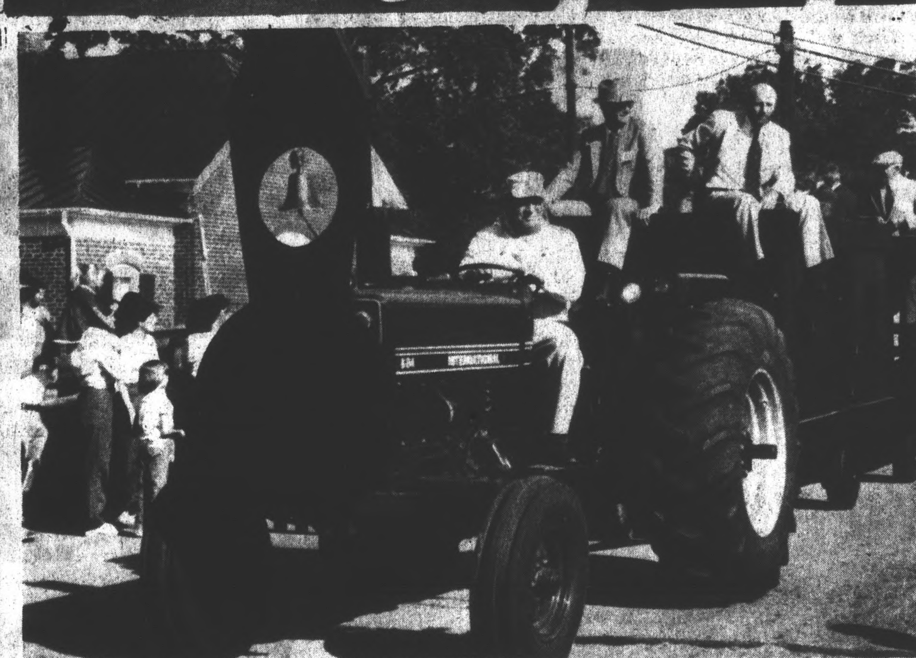
Trophy, award winners will be named next week

The winners of trophies and other awards in the 12th annual Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival parade and contests will be announced in next week's Times-Virginian according to an annoucement by Mrs. Dot Davidson, co-chairman of the parade committee.

Scenes From 1984 Railroad Festival







Photos by Jim Nolen

Thanks expressed

As directors of the Joe Sweeney 10K race, we want to express our thanks to the many, many volunteers who helped in any way - art work, baking cookies, preparing race packets, setting up the course, working with registration, calling times, working the water stops, photography, the finish line workers, and all who helped with traffic downtown - it's hard to remember each and every spot, but without all of you, this race wouldn't have been a success.

Our thanks and appreciation also go to the Appomattox County Rescue Squad volunteers who manned the race route to aid when necessary; and to all the police officers who helped with traffic control along the route. Without you, we couldn't have had a race - thanks indeed!

We'd also like to thank all those who donated to the race: Wilbun's for the Gatorade; Central Fidelity for the packet gifts; Coca-Cola & Pepsi Bottling Companies for the cups; Pizza Hut for the coupons for the runners; Babcock & Wilcox and the Appomattox Lions Club for their donations to the prize drawing; and Straub's, Athlete's Foot, & Foot Locker for prizes donated. Thanks also go to the Athletic Dept. of ACHS and to the State Highway Dept. for their loan of equipment.

On behalf of all those involved with the Joe Sweeney 10K, we'd like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to Farmers National Bank for their sponsorship. We are indeed grateful for their financial support, which makes this race possible.

Many, many thanks to all who helped in any way.

Sincerely,
Dick and Jane Smith
Directors

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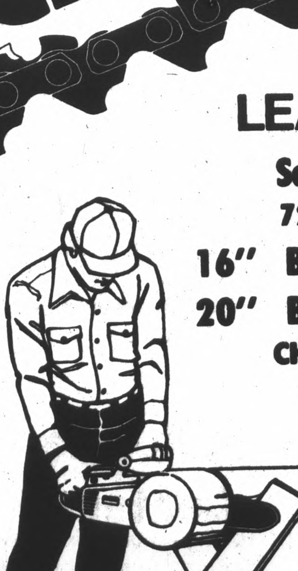
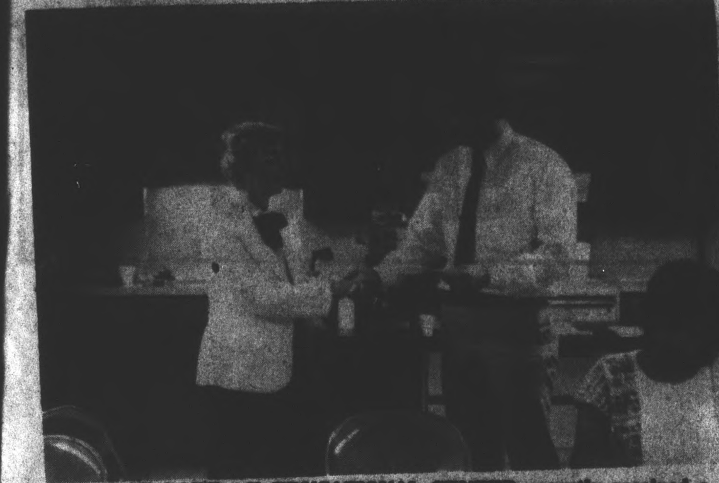


COUNTY OF APPOMATTOX
STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE COUNTY - ALL COUNTY FUNDS
At June 30, 1984

	Governmental Funds: General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Fiduciary Funds: Agency	Total (Memorandum Only)
Balance July 1, 1983	$ 562,753	$ 333,714	$ -	$ 6,209	$ 902,676
Receipts (Net):					
General property taxes	1,507,819	-	-	-	1,507,819
Other local taxes	90,671	-	-	331,864	422,535
Permits, privilege fees and regulatory licenses	17,045	-	-	-	17,045
Fines and forfeitures	1,881	-	-	-	1,881
Revenue from use of money and property	137,941	3,049	-	-	140,990
Charges for services	56,177	53,862	-	-	110,039
Miscellaneous	49,924	-	-	137,352	187,276
Recovered costs	10,026	-	-	-	10,026
Intergovernmental	4,901,406	82,238	-	-	4,983,644
Proceeds from indebtedness	-	-	108,666	-	108,666
Total receipts	6,772,890	139,149	108,666	469,216	7,489,921
Total receipts and balance	7,335,643	472,863	108,666	475,425	8,392,597
Disbursements (Net):					
Warrants (Checks) issued	1,699,520	5,583,964	108,666	152,657	7,544,807
Retirement of indebtedness	-	162,018	-	-	162,018
Interest and other debt costs	-	75,135	-	-	75,135
Total disbursements	1,699,520	5,821,117	108,666	152,657	7,781,960
Interfund transfers:					
Transfers in	315,471	5,807,168	-	-	6,122,639
Transfers out	5,670,425	136,743	-	315,471	6,122,639
Balance June 30, 1984	$ 281,169	$ 322,171	$ -	$ 7,297	$ 610,637

This statement of the Treasurer's accountability to the County - all County funds - is hereby published in accordance with the provisions of Section 15.1-165, Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, at the direction of the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors. This statement is taken from the Report on Audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1984, as submitted by Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Virginia, to the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara R. Williams County Clerk



HOLIDAY LAKE 4-H EDUCATIONAL CENTER recently received a $5,000 contribution from the Campbell County Board of Supervisors. The funds will be used for a new lodge, which is currently under construction. The check was presented by Mrs. Eleanor Evans, a member of the Campbell County Board of Supervisors, to Scott Dawson, vice president of the Holiday Lake Board of Directors.

The South 40

Courses set for applicators

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

Next week, courses will be offered to those wishing to become certified as Private Applicators and for those wishing to be re-certified.

It appears that six additional pesticides will be classified, Restricted Use in 1985; therefore, there may be additional need for producers to become certified.

Producers who have not been certified or who have allowed their certification to expire will be offered an opportunity Wednesday, Oct. 31, 7 p.m. You will need to have studied the Pest Management Guide, available from our office. Cost is $4. There is a 50-question closed-book test associated with this program.

For those producers who have been certified, but whose certification expires Jan. 1, you can be re-certified by attending a program at 7 p.m. on Nov. 1, or 9 a.m. on Nov. 2.

Place for all three programs is the District Extension Office Auditorium (across street from the Courthouse).

I am told that chemical sales are being attempted by an out-of-state organization over the phone. If you get such an offer, it should be suspect. A product being offered would normally contain 35.3 percent active ingredient, but in this case it has 1.85 percent A.I.

While the cost may appear reasonable, it may be very costly. I would be glad to discuss this problem with those who may have received a call.

Hydraulic ram pumps have received renewed interest in recent years. They operate by the energy from falling water and are a good means of providing a continuous low-volume water supply.

At least one manufacturer offers inexpensive units constructed of PVC pipe and fittings.

If you will be using a chimney for heating, don't neglect having it cleaned before using. Chimney fires are damaging and dangerous.

Standard bacteriological water tests are conducted through the Public Health Office. Effective July 1, 1984 it is the homeowners responsibility to take the sample and mail it to the lab. The lab effective July 1 charges $15 per sample.

Total farm debt in the U.S. increased from $166 billion in 1980 to the present level, $215 billion. FmHA holds about 11 percent of all loans to the nation's famrers.

An estimated one million vegetable gardens are grown in Virginia with a value of $400 each. This $400 million crop is the highest value of any agricultural commodity produced in the state.

The Soil Test Lab is currently running 450 samples a day and there is no backlog.

If you have small grain in storage, better keep a check on insects. The warm fall is ideal for insect development.

If you have corn or soybeans to store, be sure to take time to sanitize the storage facility before putting in new grain.

Ruritans planning supper

The Oakville Ruritan Club will sponsor a pancake supper to benefit the Appomattox Volunteer Rescue Squad tomorrow (Thursday), Oct. 26, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Oakville School.

The club assisted again this year in implementing the parade for the Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival, and served Brunswick stew after the parade, during the festival.

Club members expressed thanks for the support offered by Appomattox citizens during the Railroad Festival.

ASCS Today

By TOM CONRAD

GOOD NEWS IN CROP INSURANCE FOR FARMERS- Farmers in Virginia will benefit greatly from a new innovation in crop insurance now being offered by the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), according to Mahlon K. Rudy, State Executive Director. "It's called Actual Production History (APH), and I think it's going to make the difference for a lot of farmers in our area", Rudy said. "In a nutshell, APH simply means that farmers can now get insurance coverage that is based on the performance of their own farmers, not the average performance of a county," Rudy added. FCIC recently expanded the APH program in include corn, grain sorghum, tobacco, and peanuts for the 1985 crop year. Cotton and rice were included in the program in 1984.

Mahlon K. Rudy learned about the insurance plan during a national FCIC conference in Nashville on Oct.2-3. The conference was called to further explain benefits of the APH program to more than 350 national and state leaders from both government and the private sector, including officers of commerical insurance companies and agencies selling crop insurance.

"We have turned the crop insurance program into the number-one risk protection device available to all farmers," said Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block who delivered the keynote address at the conference. "And it will remain the number-one program to help farmers reduce their risks."

"By replacing the old county average yield system with a system of actual production history, farmers will at long last receive production guarantees commensurate with their proven ability to produce,"Block said. "Without this very fundamental change, I am convinced that crop insurance would have remained stagnant for years. With it, I am confident that the future of the program is very bright."

Farmers wishing to discuss the APH program and how it can improve their risk management needs, should contact the local ASCS office or crop insurance agent.

Happiness is 4-H

By FRANK H. SWEET
Extension Agent

Thanks to the more than 50 participants in the American Cancer Society's Bike-A-Thon this past Sunday afternoon. More than $1600 has been pledged to the participants in the Bike-A-Thon. 4-H members and others taking part in the ride should try to collect their pledge money by the end of October. Pledge funds may be turned in at Farmers National Bank (downtown) to Mrs. Mary Alma Hudson; Central Fidelity Bank to Mrs. June Chenault; Traveler's Inn Motel to Mrs. Janet Noble or at the Appomattox Extension Office.

The Appomattox 4-H Horse and Pony Club will meet on Thursday evening of this week at 7:30 p.m. in the Appomattox Extension Office. All young people and their parents who are interested in horses are invited to attend. Adult leaders for the 4-H horse group are Mr. and Mrs. Guy Brochard of Pamplin.

The 4-H Teen Leader Club will sponsor a Haunted House as part of the Appomattox Primary School's Halloween Carnival this coming Saturday. The Haunted House is one of several community involvement activities that the Teen Leaders will be working with this year. The 4-H Teen Leader Club meets on the first Monday night of each month at 7 p.m. in the Appomattox Extension Office. All 4-H'ers interested in leadership opportunities are invited to participate.

4-H project judging is taking place this week as last year's projects are evaluated for completeness and accuracy. Each 4-H'er has recently selected new projects for this year. Parents and family members are encouraged to help 4-H'ers with project questions and problems as they arise during the year.

Suzanne Compton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Compton and a member of Mrs. Walton's 5th grade 4-H group and the newly formed "A Team" 4-H community club, will enter several bushels of sweet potatoes in the Annual State 4-H Sweet Potato Show and Sale on Nov. 15. This annual event will be held at the National Guard Armory in Petersburg. The Sweet Potato Show and Sale provides an opportunity for young people to exhibit their potatoes. Details and entry forms are available at the Extension Office.

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Letter

Writer says Reagan pulls wool over Americans' eyes

Editor:

The 1984 presidential election is just two weeks from today. Our pollsters are telling us that the present White House tenant has a commanding lead. Like most everything that I have heard from Washington since Jan. 20, 1981, this is frightful news to me.

Our current White House Tenant keeps talking about how he has cut income tax. Listen, Americans, did you know that the fact is that the man making in excess of $300,000.00 has had his tax lowered from 70 percent to a maximum of 50 percent, a whopping $60,000.00 per year, while the wage earner making $250.00 per week has only had his taxes reduced by less than $20.00. Can anyone say that this is fair? I cannot. Who does the current Administration think that they are fooling?

Did you watch the debate Sunday night, Oct. 7, 1984?Mr. Reagan kept trying to drive home the fact that he had helped to lower the interest rate from 21 percent to 13 percent. He was quoting the prime rate, which means very little to Mr. and Mrs. Average America. Have you tried to borrow any money lately? Interest rates on home mortgages are very little, if any lower today than they were four or five years ago. From my early youth I have been taught that the American Dream of homeownership was the bulwark of good citizenship. I think we have come to the point and time in history when homeownership is only for the very rich.

If I have learned nothing else in the past four years, I have satisfied myself that peanut farmers make better Presidents than second-rate movie actors.

I urge all Americans to think again, can this nation afford four more years of having the wool pulled over their eyes? Can we continue another four years of disregard for our Constitution and Bill of Rights such as having 471,000 disabled people having their benefits taken from them without trial? I do not believe we can.

Patrick Henry said, "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death." As I see it, handicapped and disabled Americans could say "Free us from the Schackles of Reaganism."

Sincerely,
J. Robert Jamerson

Benefit skate set Thursday

A benefit skate event will be held at A.J. Skateworld this Thursday, Oct. 25, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Admission is $2 and all proceeds will go to the Appomattox County Volunteer Rescue Squad.

This event is sponsored by Fred Jones and A.J. Skateworld.

THE APPOMATTOX MIDDLE SCHOOL chapter of FFA has elected officers for the 1984-85 year. Pictured are Keith Garrett, assistant reporter; Allen Monigold, historian; Ken Hudson, president; Sarah Hayden, reporter; Robert Coleman, parliamentarian; Janet Totty, chaplain; Daniel Slagle, assistant treasurer; Chuck Wilkerson, sentinel; Alisa Jenkins, secretary; Fred Robinson, assistant sentinel; Clyde Mayberry, second vice president; Kyle Hamilton, assistant chaplain; Doug Phelps, assistant historian; Evan Humbles, assistant parliamentarian; Brett Harrison, first vice president; Margaretta Lovelace, assistant secretary; and (not pictured) Bob Stratton, treasurer.

List of qualities voted for stronger families

[Continued from 2]

The list of qualities for a strong family can go on and on. Remember that strong family units are the backbone of a strong democratic nation. It is extremely important that families stick together, work together, play together, pray together.

Do you treat your family member like your best friend? This would be a good yardstick measure for you to follow. If you have children who may be constantly bickering and fussing with each other, why not ask them to start treating each other like they would treat their best friend. You'll be surprised how this simple little method works.

Yes, families can be made strong today. Families have many pressures today, but let's work to make our family unit strong.

If you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call 352-8244 or you may write P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, VA 24522. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and to help you.

Have a good week!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Asparagus Casserole Deluxe

1 - No. 2 can asparagus
1 can cream of mushroom soup
4 boiled eggs
1/4 lb. mild cheddar cheese, slices
Rtiz crackers

Heat soup and 1/2 of the juice from the asparagus. Cover bottom of casserole dish with this mixture. Put layer of Ritz crackers on top of this soup mixture. Layer cheese, asparagus and eggs. Pour remainder of soup mixture over top. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until bubbly.

Many thanks to Mrs. Duncan, the mother of Becky Lawson, for sharing this delicious recipe with us.

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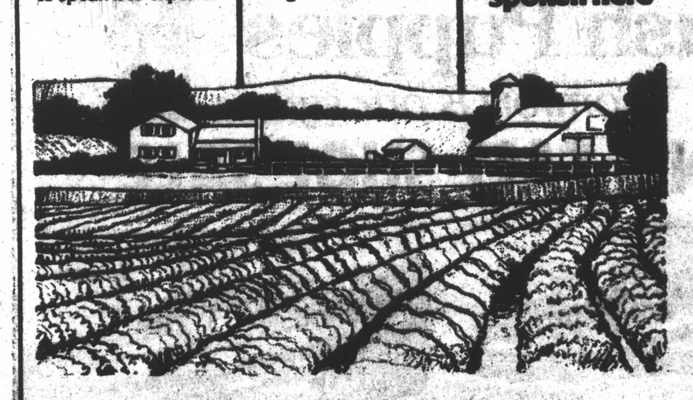

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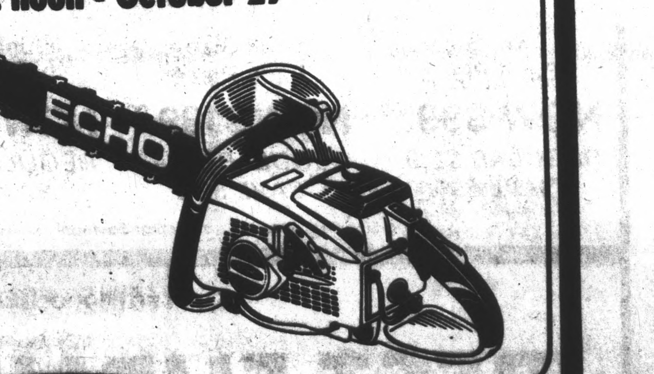

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